

Our Men In Service



SAN ANTONIO — Airman Gerald L. Del Negro, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alphonso Del Negro, 8 Stewart Lane, Agawam, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to Keesler AFB, Miss., for training in the administrative field. Airman Del Negro is a 1969 graduate of Agawam High School.

JCETTES SEEK COUPONS FOR HEART MACHINE

The Agawam J.C.-ettes asked today that an appeal be made to the people of Agawam to aid them in one of their current projects.

All J.C.-ette chapters throughout Mass. are supporting a campaign to save Betty Crocker Coupons. Over 100,000 coupons are still needed to purchase a heart monitor machine for the Boston Children's Hospital. Only 4 months from now is the cut-off date for the campaign.

Realizing the importance of this campaign, Mr. Raymond McCarroll, manager of the Agawam Food Mart, has offered space in his store for the placement of a container for the coupons. Anyone wishing to help in the campaign, PLEASE bring your coupons in to the store and drop them in the box. This is a very essential piece of equipment for the hospital and may be used by a resident of Agawam in the future. The Agawam chapter hopes to place several other containers in various areas of town for your convenience.

LET'S ALL PUSH FOR CLEAN AIR — REPORT ALL AIR POLLUTION NUISANCES AND VIOLATIONS TO THE LOWER PIONEER VALLEY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT — CALL 785-1717.

RABIES CLINIC BIG SUCCESS

TEITEL EXTENDS THANKS

Despite confusion, congestion, and crowding, the Agawam Health Department believes that its Rabies Clinic accomplished its objective. Health Agent Jeffrey Teitel wishes to extend his "thanks" to Dr. Raymond Jackson, who cooperation, skill and patience made this clinic possible and "successful." Teitel also extends a great deal of thanks to Chief Harry Schneider who provided the health department with a site.

DON'T BE A LITTERBUG

Weight Watchers class Thursday 9:30 A.M., 7 P.M. Legion Hall 486 Springfield St., Agawam.

The truly free man is the one who will turn down an invitation to dinner without giving an excuse.

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CHALKLINERS THEATRE RECEIVES NEW SEATS

The Chalkliners, Agawam's Theatre Group, will enjoy their spring production in upholstered theatre seats, a most generous gift from the old Elks home on State St. in Springfield. "Generation," a play by William Goodhart, will be presented

on May 8, 9 and 15, 16. The cast is now in rehearsal, under the direction of Mrs. Doreen Deliso. This very funny comedy played on Broadway to full houses for 2 years with Henry Fonda in the lead. The Chalkliners cast will be announced very shortly.

BOY SCOUT SHOW COMING MAY 2

The Big Show, formerly known as the Cavalcade of Scouting, will be held on Sat., May 2, in the Better Living Center at the E.S. Exposition Grounds. The announcement was made by Walter T. Merkel, council commissioner and general chm. for the event.

More than 80 Scout units have already reserved spaces for participation in the show. Exhibits will range from massive pioneering construction to Cub Scout activities in dens in a mammoth demonstration to the public of Cub Scout, Boy Scout and Exploring skills.

Featured on the program will be the construction of a 50 foot suspension bridge by Troop 359 of Wilbraham and a space derby involving rockets.

Catholic Women's Club

SPRING AND SUMMER FASHIONS TO BE SHOWN

The Catholic Women's Club of Agawam will hold its monthly meeting Mon., April 20, at 8:30 p.m., in St. John's Hall. President Mrs. J. Rene Hamel will preside at the business meeting, at which time the nominating committee will present a slate of officers for the following year to be voted upon at said meeting.

"Calvacade of Cottons" — spring and summer fashions will be featured in a fashion presentation sponsored by the club, with Mrs. Alexander G. Toczko as commentator, and Mrs. Thomas Doyle as pianist. Cottons for all occasions make up the collection which is coordinated by the Cotton Producers Institute and McCall's Patterns. Mrs. Alexander G. Toczko is chm. of the program.

The monthly hospitality ch., Mrs. Edmund Colby, will be assisted by Mrs. Nelson Bruno, Mrs. Edmund D. Coffey, Mrs. Phillip DeForge, Mrs. Joseph Faucette, Mrs. James Fenton, Jr., Mrs. Edmund Jenks, Mrs. Claude Ouellette, Mrs. Walter Milewski, and Mrs. Patrick Vassallo.

HGIL DESSERT SCHOLARSHIP

CARD PARTY FOR THE HOME DEPT.

Thurs., April 23 at 7 p.m. at the League Building, 1499 Memorial Ave., West Springfield, the Minnie R. Dwight Memorial Scholarship Committee of the Home Dep't of the Hampden County Improvement League is sponsoring a dessert scholarship card party.

Proceeds from county-wide card party will supplement the scholarship fund. These schol'ps are given to girls enrolling or are upperclassmen in Home Economics either at the U. of Mass or Framingham State College.

These schol'ps will be given to students of high scholastic ability and deserving of financial assistance. Announcements will be made at the spring leaders' meeting of the Home Dep't on May 21.

Chm. of the card party, Mrs. George Lemieux of North Wilbraham, will be assisted by Mrs. E.R. Jenny of West Springfield, tickets; Mrs. James Hines of Longmeadow, refreshments; Mrs. Rene Dumas of Ludlow, table moments; Mrs. Frank Chrzanowski of Westfield, table tallies and setup; Mrs. Thomas Comiskey and Mrs. Lemieux of North Wilbraham, door prizes; and Mrs. Michael Demko of Agawam, publicity and decorations.

Tickets may be obtained by contacting Mrs. Jenny, ticket chm., any member of the Home Dep't groups or they may be obtained at the door. A great many door prizes will be given and the public is invited.

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MELHA SHRINE CIRCUS COMING TO COLISEUM



Dr. Kenneth E. Nicholson, potentate of Melha Temple, announced that the 16th annual Melha Shrine Circus will be at the E.S. Coliseum, West Springfield, May 7 — 10. He added further that Richard C. Zoller, past potentate, will again serve as gen. chm. for this year's event.

Clyde Brothers Circus, producers of more Shrine Circuses than any other producer, will again present this year's circus. Howard W. Suesz, pres. of Clyde Brothers, has assured everyone they have booked an array of talent with sufficient variety to please even the most discriminating circus followers. They promise a Shrine Circus that will appeal to the impressionable child, the enthusiastic teen-ager and the sophisticated adult, with a fast-moving program presented in keeping with the highest standards of decency and delightfulness.

The code of circusdom binds the management and performers together in a pledge to provide enjoyment which is uncompromising in its good taste.

Everyone is united in his determination that the show will be as clean as it is clever. So it's "Family Fun," at the Shrine Circus, a rather unique situation in this day and age.

The ticket office will open at the Coliseum, Mon., Apr. 13. The Shriners plan to celebrate the Box Office opening by releasing a moving van full of gas-filled balloons from the Court of Honor at the Coliseum on Mon. at 1 p.m. Each balloon will have attached to it a brightly colored tag which will inform the finder that if he lives in the community that is the greatest distance from Springfield, but still within a 250 mile radius, the finder and a companion may be guests of the Shriners at the opening night performance of the circus. All travel expenses to the circus will be paid by the Shriners.

The ticket office will be open daily from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Mon. through Sat.

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MASS. WILDLIFE FEDERATION ANNUAL CONSERVATION AWARDS

The Annual Conservation Awards Program of the Mass. Wildlife Federation held in conjunction a nationwide conservation education program of the Natl. Wildlife Fed., sponsored by Sears-Roebuck Foundation, on April 5, at the Sheraton Lexington Motor Inn.

State Conservationist of the Year was John Hay, president of the Cape Cod Museum of Natl. History. In naming him for the state award, the Wildlife Fed. commended his writings and published books that have deeply affected a substantial number of people and brought them to a realization of the importance of our environment and the need of protecting it. He was nominated for this award by the Garden Club of Brewster, Mass.

The other winners, all eligible for 1970 national honors in their conservation fields, were:

Distinguished Service to Conservation Award — Governor Francis W. Sargent.

Wildlife Conservation — Harry C. Darling, chm., Mass. Division of Fisheries and Game Board.

Water — Crawford H. Hollidge, Martsons Mills, Mass., member of the U.S. Dept. of Agr. Soil Conserv. Service.

Soil — Crawford H. Hollidge, Martsons Mills, Mass., member of the U.S. Dept. of Agr. Soil Conserv. Service.

Water — Harry E. Bailey,

Weymouth, Mass., pres. of the Mass. Striped Bass Assocn. and chm. of the Wetlands and Wildlife Committee of the Mass. Alliance of Salt Water Sportsmen.

Forest — N.E. Forestry Foundation, Boston, Farnham W. Smith, pres., John T. Hemenway, sec-treas.

Education — The Mass. Jr. Cons. Camp, Spencer, Mass., Camp Staff: Dir. Arthur Silva, Raymond Gehling, supervisor Cons. Dept. Ed., Dept. of Ed., Bryant Chaplin, formerly I and E. chief, Mass. Div. of Fish & Game.

Youth — The staff of Great Esker Park Natl. Science Center, East Weymouth.

Communication — John W. Putnam, exec. officer of Boston Environment Inc.

Organization — The Malden Anglers, James W. Collins, pres.

The economic growth and continued welfare of all Mass. citizens is directly related to how wisely and efficiently we manage and utilize our soils, waters, forests and wildlife. Gov. Francis Sargent said, "It is therefore entirely fitting and proper that we recognize and honor individuals or organizations who have performed outstanding accomplishments and made the greatest contributions to the cause of conservation in our state."

The MWF is a non-partisan organization of sportsmen and conservationists with headquarters at Box 343, Natick, Mass.

If we continue adding more wastes to the air, and transforming rivers and streams into open sewers and lakes into cesspools, we are engaging in biological and chemical warfare against ourselves; our health is at stake, the Mass. Audubon points out.

Men who call salads "rabbit food" should remember what such food does for rabbits, says Dr. W.W. Bauer: "The male rabbit is light on his feet, has no paunch and maintains lively romantic interests."

Bussing was a lot more popular when it meant kissing instead of hauling the kids around.

No one knows another man's burden.

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Agawam YMCA Activities

ADAMS AND BRUNELLE APPOINTED CO-CHAIRMEN

James Loomis, Jr., president of the 1970 membership drive, announced today that Paul Adams, Jr. of 77 Woodside Drive and William Brunelle of 141 Suffield St. will serve as co-chairmen of this year's membership drive. The goal of the drive is 700 new members. The theme of the drive is "700 in the '70's." Mr. Adams is a member of the Agawam YMCA Bd. of Directors and is a past pres. of the board. Mr. Brunelle is a teacher at the Agawam H.S. and is also a member of the Bd. of Dir. at the Y. The 2 co-chm. will recruit 10 division leaders and 50 workers each. The dates of the membership drive are April 18 - May 22. To join, call the Agawam Y.

Back yard Frontier

BY Judith Hubley
Mass. Audubon Society

If you think you can escape urban air pollution by moving to the country, better not get your hopes up. You might as well stay in the city and join the picket lines around the power plants or campaign for funds for mass transit. Air pollution is being exported by our major cities, and the suburbs, rural towns and wilderness areas have no choice but to accept it.

The wastes dumped by N.E. into its air supply eventually head out to sea, but they are replaced from the smoke stacks and exhaust pipes of N.Y. and New Jersey. So even if the prevailing weather patterns allow you to escape most of the noxious gases and soot from a nearby city, the chances are good that our neighbors to the south are more than making up for it.

News from Calif. indicates that the problem there (like everything else) is bigger and better, and there is visible evidence that the smog Los Angeles is exporting is a real killer.

Two species of pine trees in the San Bernardino Natl. Forest are dying from the L.A. smog. The forest and L.A. are 60 miles apart, but every day what is left of the air of that city is blown into the natural bowl-shaped slopes of the San Bernardino Forest. It is apparently the high ozone content of the smog that destroys the chlorophyll in the needles of the pine trees. The needles turn yellow and eventually fall off, leaving only the current year's growth of leaves. Not all the trees are affected yet, but recent observations show that 50% of the trees are damaged, 15% severely so and 3% are already dead.

Oh well, they are only trees. Of the geography of L.A. and the San Bernardino Valley are such that a forest 60 miles from the city cannot survive, maybe we could grow trees somewhere else.

Sure we could. But wouldn't it be easier to clean the air of our cities? Must we wait until 50% or 15% or even 3% of the victims are people?

MAY-BLOOD CENTER SCHEDULE

PUBLIC:

Mon., May 4 — Melha Temple, 133 Longhill St., Spfld., 1:00-6:45 p.m.

Mon., May 11 — Radio & tv station WHYN, 1300 Liberty St., Spfld., 10:00 a.m.-3:45 p.m.

Tues., May 12 — E. Longmeadow High School, 180 Maple St., E. Longmeadow, 1:00-6:45 p.m.

Tues., May 19 — Beth El Temple, 979 Dickinson St., Spfld., 1:00-6:45 p.m.

Thurs., May 28 — Cathedral High School, 260 Surrey Rd., Spfld., 9:00 a.m.-2:45 p.m.

PERSONNEL ONLY:

Wed., May 20 — Mass Mutual Life Ins. Co., 1295 State St., Spfld., 9:00 a.m.-2:45 p.m.

Fri., May 29 — Milton Bradley Co., 443 Shaker Rd., E. Longm., 10:00 a.m.-3:45 p.m.

For donor transportation and appointments, call ARC at 737-4306.

WESTFIELD SAVINGS ELECTS NEW OFFICERS AT ANNUAL MEETING

WESTFIELD — The election of 2 new members of the board of trustees and 6 new corporators took place during the 117th annual meeting of corporators of the Westfield Savings Bank at the Tekoa Country Club Wednesday night. Arthur W. Knapp, president, presided.

The new trustees are: Alvah W. Elzerman of W.X.S., who is president, sales division, U.S. and Canada, for Stanley Home Products, Inc., of Westfield; and Atty. Philip C. Smith, a member of the Westfield law firm of Fuller, Scharoff & Smith.

New corporators of Westfield Savings Bank are: Ernest Cornelius, Jr., an assistant treas. of the bank, who is manager of the savings bank life insurance dept.; John B. Beltrandi, who heads Beltrandi & Co., of Agawam; Roland C. Hall, assistant treas., who is in charge of the savings dept.; Joseph J. Mongeau, pres. of the Westfield Electroplating Co., of Westfield; Nuchi T. Prifti, owner of Prifti Motors of Southwick, and member of the Southwick Bd. of Selectmen; and Robert A. Zografos, pres. and treas. of the R.A. Zografos Construction Co. of W.S.

During the meeting, Mr. Knapp traced the growth of the bank and the developments of the past year with a color slide presentation, showing such things as the residential growth and expansion programs in which WSB has participated, and the various other activities and programs of the bank and its people.

Mr. Knapp said the bank is experiencing "another good year" and expressed the view that the strength of the Westfield area economy, and the economy of the communities served by the bank, will contribute to the bank's continued growth.

Mr. Knapp predicted that residential construction, which traditionally slows down during the winter, will accelerate during the warm months ahead. He also said he believes the extensive industrial expansion underway in the Westfield area will be reflected in an increased demand for homes during the next year.

Harris J. Bond, treas., reported that assets on March 31 were \$61,506,932, an increase of \$3,543,619 for the 12 months, and that savings deposits on March 31 totaled \$54,270,643, for a 12-month gain of \$3,186,959.

Real estate loans were at a record \$47,757,856, reflecting a gain of \$4,090,810. Mr. Bond observed that mortgage demand remains strong.

Mr. Bond said the bank's depositors are continuing to "respond favorably" to the payment of quarterly dividends, and the current interest rates of 5½% on special notice or 90-day accounts and 5% on regular savings accounts.

During the meeting Mr. Knapp was reelected president, and v.p.s elected were: David C. Colton, pres. of the Colton Agency, Inc., and Wesley L. Mitchell, retired v.p. of the WMECO. Atty. Horace N. Fuller was elected clerk.

Trustees reelected for 3 years were: David C. Colton; Eugene V. Oehlert of Agawam, retired; and John E. Reed, pres. of the Sterling Radiator Co. of Westfield.

Atty. Philip C. Smith was elected to fill a vacancy on the auditing committee during that committee's organizational meeting. The committee elected Hitchcock & Co., of Springfield, to conduct the annual audit.

Mr. Elzerman, who lives in W.S., has been with Stanley Home Products since 1937, joining the firm in Detroit as a dealer. He served in the Army in World War II, and came to Westfield in 1954, when he was given the position of promotion sales manager. He assumed his present position in January of this year.

Atty. Smith is a graduate of Boston U Law School and has practiced law in this area for 18 years. He has been a member of Fuller Scharoff & Smith for 6 years.

Atty. Smith is a former town prosecutor in W.S., where he lives, and is now chm. of the school committee. He is a past pres. of the Rotary Club of W.S. and the W.S. Club.

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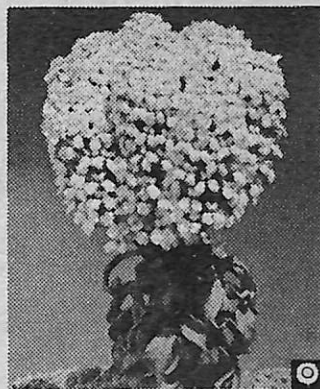
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The last syllable of the name describes the tufted flowers.

There are two species of annual candytuft grown in gardens: one known as rocket, the other as globe candytuft.

The rocket type, which you will find in catalogs and seed displays under variety names of Giant Hyacinth-flowered, Iceberg, Empress, White Pinnacle, has only white flowers but they are delicately scented. The varieties mentioned grow from 18 inches to two feet tall.

Globe candytufts, called for their globe or dome-shaped plants, have no fragrance but have colored flowers.

These may be pink, rose, carmine, crimson, lavender or white.

These plants are lower-growing than those of the rocket candytufts and can be used in large masses for an overall colorful effect.

Magic Carpet and Fairy are mixtures of all the bloom colors named.

Both types of candytuft share a liking for cool weather and both exhaust themselves by producing too many flowers.

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A REPORT FROM
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Telling Seriously Ill Children the Truth

"You have a very serious illness."

Most people feel that an ill child should never hear such words. They say it is unnecessary because the child cannot understand. Also, talking to a sick child about his condition and his fear of death causes parents and even many medical persons to cringe.

But is it cruel and wrong to tell a child the truth? According to research, it may be the best thing to do.

This approach was tested, with the cooperation of parents, by social workers at the Clinical Center of the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland. Leukemia patients between the ages of nine and twenty-one, two-thirds of whom were under 12, were told their diagnosis as soon as it was confirmed. Staff members were encouraged to answer the children's questions frankly and honestly. Illness and death were not subjects to be avoided but were discussed whenever the patients brought them up.

No child was ever told he was going to die. There was always hope that his case would respond to treatment. In fact, researchers have developed therapy that offers hope in some acute leukemia cases and research is continuing.

The children were told the purpose of treatments and were asked to "consent" to medical procedures, even though their parents had already given the necessary approval. If a fellow patient died, a social worker or a nurse would say, "Johnny died last night; he was very sick." This gave a child a chance to talk about his own

fears and concerns. It also provided the adult with an opportunity to reassure the child.

At first some staff members found it hard to talk frankly with the children. But, by taking advantage of opportunities, whenever they occurred, some surprising results developed.

Most children already knew they had a serious disease. Some knew they had leukemia. Several became more cooperative once they realized their conditions could be discussed. Each seemed relieved to know the truth. One 11-year-old said, "I was more worried before because I was thinking a mile-a-minute about what I had."

This new approach to an old problem resulted in the child's being more emotionally stable and less given to depression. When the child knows the truth, the important family relationship is less strained. A sick child in an unfamiliar environment needs to communicate with his family. He cannot if a wall of secrecy surrounds the subject of his illness. In most cases, anyway, the child senses that something is wrong. If parents refuse to discuss it, they may actually be leaving the child alone with his own secret fears.

Social workers at the Clinical Center concluded that in cases of serious childhood illness, speaking frankly may be the right thing to do. The child should not be told his disease is fatal or that no cure exists, but that he is being treated so that he can return home. By doing this, it is hoped that, despite the child's condition and environment, he will be able to live a nearly normal, happy life.

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THIS WEEK'S BEST BUYS FROM MASSACHUSETTS FARMS

Once again, Bay State growers have produced an outstanding crop of greenhouse tomatoes, according to the Mass. Dept. of Agriculture. Although the harvest hasn't quite begun, it's a good idea to alert your market man to the fact that growers and produce wholesalers are not taking orders for the spring crop.

Production of native greenhouse cucumbers continues heavy. Fresh, crisp and unwaxed, they should be eaten skin and all. Other excellent greenhouse crops from nearby growers are lettuce and beet greens. From the great outdoors, spring-dug parsnips are in full harvest. Nutritionally, one-half cup of parsnips equals a full cup of carrots.

Fruits from local sources are still limited. The apple season, now longer than ever, will soon be over, and it will be months before we can again bite into a crisp, juicy McIntosh. Native Crisp-Aire Macs are still plentiful, however, and very reasonably priced.

What is a garden without mignonette? Flowers are not showy in any way but they are delightfully fragrant, with a scent that is different from any other flower.

Weight Watchers

SPICE CAKE

4 slices slightly dry white bread
2/3 cup non-fat dry milk powder
1 tablespoon cinnamon
4 eggs
2 tablespoons liquid artificial sweetener
1 tablespoon vanilla (or other extract)

Place bread, one slice at a time, in electric blender and make into crumbs. Turn crumbs into a bowl and add milk and cinnamon. Beat eggs in electric mixer at low speed until very thick, about ten minutes, then add sweetener and extract. Gently fold crumbs and egg mixtures together. Bake in non-stick pan at 350° for 25 minutes. Makes 4 servings.

Perennials Are Easy From Seeds

Somehow the name "perennial" conjures up the idea of "hard to grow". Yet many perennials can be grown from seeds just as easily as any marigold or zinnia in the garden.

Perennials are distinguished from annuals because they do not produce seeds, then die in the space of 1 season. Instead, while perennials often bear seeds the first season, production does not end the plants' life.

While the tops of perennials usually die when cold weather arrives, their roots live. New shoots grow from them to flower another year.

Seeds of perennials may be planted in the spring, just like annuals or sown in early summer, while the annuals are blooming away.

It is best to sow seeds of perennials in a separate area. This may be a raised seedbed, a cold frame, or just a row or two along side the vegetable or cutting garden.

The reason for the separate place is that seeds of many perennials take longer to germinate than those of annuals.

By sowing in an area where nothing else is growing, they will not be disturbed by garden work done near them.

Furthermore, if planted in summer, plants too small to transplant in fall can be left in place for winter, to be moved the following spring.

Gaillardia, coreopsis, cornflower, flax, hollyhock, pink or carnation, columbine, foxglove, delphinium, Iceland poppy, painted daisy, wallflower, shasta daisy, and veronica are just a few of the perennials you can grow.

If seeds are planted as soon as the soil can be worked, some perennials will surprise you by flowering the first year.

Flax often does this and Foxy, a new foxglove, practically always blooms.

Connecticut Yankee delphiniums, gaillardias and coreopsis are quite dependable in producing first-year flowers.

It's fun to grow perennials from seeds and observe differences.

ANNUALS TO USE IN POOR SOIL

How often have you heard some gardener say, "But my soil's just ordinary soil and nothing thrives in it"? Even ordinary or even down-right poor soil will support certain annuals.

The most tolerant of ordinary soil are zinnias and marigolds, with sweet alyssum and bachelor's buttons close runners-up.

For growing in downright poor soil — soil that is so sandy you wonder how any flower can grow in it — try nasturtiums or portulacas.

If the sandy area is in sun, these 2 will thrive.

Well, What Do You Know? fun, games and knowledge



by MARTHA GLAUBER SHAPP, Editor, The New Book of Knowledge

Would you like to learn how to tie knots?

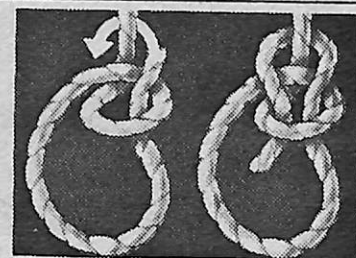
Ever since early man first made an ax by tying a stone to a stick, knots have been used to join things together. Knots have also been thought to possess magical powers. In Rome, in the 1st century A.D., it was believed that a wound would heal faster if the bandages were tied in a "Hercules knot," now known as a reef knot. Before man knew how to write, he tied knots in ropes as a way of keeping records. The

word "knot" also stands for the sailor's measurement of ship speed.

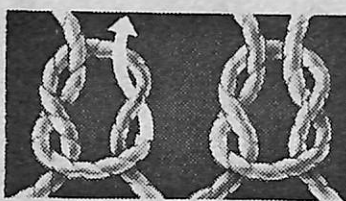
The family of knots is broken down into groups of knots that are used for similar jobs. These include stoppers, bends, and hitches as well as binding knots and loop knots. There are also ornamental knots, which are not grouped by function. Here are some knots you can tie that are both useful and ornamental.



The OVERHAND KNOT, used alone, is a stopper. It is simple to tie and is used in tying many other knots.



The BOWLINE is the most widely used loop knot. It can be pulled tight around a load to be lifted. It will not slip or jam and is easy to untie.




The SQUARE, OR REEF, KNOT is used by people in many different occupations, from sailors to steeplejacks. It can usually be easily untied, but may jam under a great deal of stress. (The granny knot is the result of a mistake in tying a square knot. It is unreliable for any practical use.)



The FIGURE EIGHT is the stopper most often used by sailors, since it is the most effective stopper in a tackle or pulley.

(For a free booklet, "The Magic Carpet," illustrated in color from The New Book of Knowledge, send name and address to Martha Glauber Shapp, Box 47, Putnam Valley, New York 10579.)



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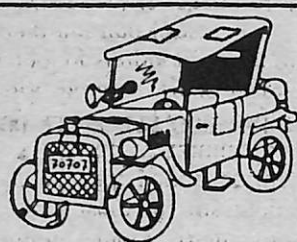


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